

Hints for Pset 1

1. we know that

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = g_{ij} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^\alpha} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y^\beta}$$

(this can be seen by the fact that if $\tau: M \rightarrow N$ then

$$(\tau^*g)(X, Y) = g(\tau_*X, \tau_*Y) \text{ and in coordinates}$$

$$(\tau^*g)_{\alpha\beta} = (\tau^*g) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\beta} \right).$$

Let us use the notation $\varphi_\alpha^i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y^\alpha}$ and hence $g_{\alpha\beta} = g_{ij} \varphi_\alpha^i \varphi_\beta^j$

and $g^{\gamma\delta} = g^{\kappa\lambda} (\varphi^{-1})_\kappa^\gamma (\varphi^{-1})_\lambda^\delta$. We now compute

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma \varphi_\gamma^k &= \frac{1}{2} g^{\kappa\ell} (\varphi^{-1})_\ell^\delta \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha} (g_{jm} \varphi_\beta^j \varphi_\delta^m) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\beta} (g_{im} \varphi_\alpha^i \varphi_\delta^m) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\delta} (g_{ij} \varphi_\alpha^i \varphi_\beta^j) \right) \end{aligned}$$

now, $\varphi_\alpha^i \varphi_\beta^j \Gamma_{ij}^k = \varphi_\alpha^i \varphi_\beta^j \frac{1}{2} g^{kl} (\partial_i g_{lj} + \partial_j g_{il} - \partial_l g_{ij})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } \frac{1}{2} g^{\kappa l} (\varphi^{-1})_\ell^\delta \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha} g_{jm} \right) \varphi_\beta^j \varphi_\delta^m &= \frac{1}{2} g^{\kappa l} \varphi_\beta^j (\varphi^{-1})_\ell^\delta \varphi_\delta^m \frac{\partial g_{jm}}{\partial y^\alpha} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} g^{\kappa l} \varphi_\beta^j \frac{\partial g_{jl}}{\partial x^i} \varphi_\alpha^i \end{aligned}$$

and similarly for the other derivative of the metric components terms.

∴ we get

$$\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{\gamma} \varphi_{\gamma}^k = \varphi_{\alpha}^i \varphi_{\beta}^j \Gamma_{ij}^k + \frac{1}{2} g^{kl} \left[\underline{g_{je} \frac{\partial \varphi_{\beta}^j}{\partial y^{\alpha}} + g_{il} \frac{\partial \varphi_{\alpha}^i}{\partial y^{\beta}} - g_{ij} (\varphi^{-1})^{\delta} \frac{\partial \varphi_{\alpha}^i}{\partial y^{\delta}} \varphi_{\beta}^j} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} g^{kl} (\varphi^{-1})^{\delta} \left(\underline{g_{jm} \varphi_{\beta}^j \frac{\partial \varphi_{\delta}^m}{\partial y^{\alpha}} + g_{im} \varphi_{\alpha}^i \frac{\partial \varphi_{\delta}^m}{\partial y^{\beta}} - g_{ij} \varphi_{\alpha}^i \frac{\partial \varphi_{\beta}^j}{\partial y^{\delta}} \right)$$

$$= \varphi_{\alpha}^i \varphi_{\beta}^j \Gamma_{ij}^k + \frac{\partial^2 x^k}{\partial y^{\alpha} \partial y^{\beta}} \Rightarrow \Gamma \text{ is NOT a tensor.}$$

note $\frac{\partial \varphi_{\beta}^k}{\partial y^{\alpha}} = \frac{\partial \varphi_{\alpha}^k}{\partial y^{\beta}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}} \left(\frac{\partial x^k}{\partial y^{\beta}} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 x^k}{\partial y^{\alpha} \partial y^{\beta}}$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_{\delta}^i}{\partial y^{\alpha}} = \frac{\partial^2 x^i}{\partial y^{\alpha} \partial y^{\delta}} = \frac{\partial^2 x^i}{\partial y^{\delta} \partial y^{\alpha}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\delta}} \varphi_{\alpha}^i$$

and $\frac{\partial \varphi_{\delta}^j}{\partial y^{\beta}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\delta}} \varphi_{\beta}^j$ Also, $-\frac{1}{2} g^{kl} g_{ij} (\varphi^{-1})^{\delta} \frac{\partial \varphi_{\alpha}^i}{\partial y^{\delta}} \varphi_{\beta}^j$

and $\frac{1}{2} g^{kl} g_{jm} (\varphi^{-1})^{\delta} (\varphi_{\beta}^j) \frac{\partial \varphi_{\delta}^m}{\partial y^{\alpha}}$ some



2.) The (3,1) Rm tensor is

$$\nabla_x \nabla_y Z - \nabla_y \nabla_x Z - \nabla_{[x,y]} Z.$$

Let $X = \partial_i$, $Y = \partial_j$, $Z = \partial_k$, to get

$$\begin{aligned} R_{ijk}{}^l \partial_l &= R(\partial_i, \partial_j) \partial_k = \nabla_i \nabla_j \partial_k - \nabla_j \nabla_i \partial_k - 0 \\ &= \nabla_i (\Gamma_{jk}^l \partial_l) - \nabla_j (\Gamma_{ik}^l \partial_l) = (\nabla_i \Gamma_{jk}^l) \partial_l + \Gamma_{jk}^l \nabla_i \partial_l \\ &\quad - (\nabla_j \Gamma_{ik}^l) \partial_l - \Gamma_{ik}^l \nabla_j \partial_l \\ &= \frac{\partial \Gamma_{jk}^l}{\partial x^i} \partial_l + \Gamma_{jk}^l \Gamma_{il}^m \partial_m - \frac{\partial \Gamma_{ik}^l}{\partial x^j} \partial_l - \Gamma_{ik}^l \Gamma_{jl}^m \partial_m \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial \Gamma_{jk}^l}{\partial x^i} - \frac{\partial \Gamma_{ik}^l}{\partial x^j} + \Gamma_{jk}^m \Gamma_{im}^l - \Gamma_{ik}^m \Gamma_{jm}^l \right) \partial_l. \end{aligned}$$

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3)

$$\begin{aligned}
 a) \quad R_{jk} &= g^{il} (R_{ijkl}) \\
 &= g^{il} (-R_{jkil} - R_{kijl}) \\
 &= 0 - g^{il} R_{kijl} = +g^{il} R_{ikjl} = R_{kj}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$b) \quad \nabla_i R_{jkml} + \nabla_m R_{jkli} + \nabla_l R_{jkim} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow g^{ij} (\dots) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla_i R^i{}_{kml} + \nabla_m R_{kl} - \nabla_l R_{km} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla_i R^i{}_{kml} = \nabla_l R_{km} - \nabla_m R_{kl}.$$

further, $g^{kl} \nabla_i R^i{}_{kml} = g^{kl} \nabla_l R_{km} - g^{kl} \nabla_m R_{kl}$

$$\Rightarrow -\nabla_i R^i{}_m = \nabla_l R^l{}_m - \nabla_m R$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \nabla_m R = \nabla_l R^l{}_m.$$

4). If $\tilde{g} = cg$ then $\tilde{g}^{-1} = c^{-1}g$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\Gamma} = \Gamma \Rightarrow \tilde{R}^{3,1} = R^{(3,1)}$$

$$\tilde{R}^{(4,0)} = c R^{(4,0)}$$

$$\tilde{R}_{ic} = R_{ic}$$

$$\tilde{R} = c^{-1} R.$$